

August 27, 2018

A special workshop meeting of the Westfield School Committee was held on Monday, August 27, 2018, at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 59 Court Street, Westfield, MA. Members present by roll call were: Mrs. Diane Mayhew, Mr. Tim O'Connor, Mrs. Mrs. Cindy Sullivan, Heather Sullivan, and Mr. Kevin J. Sullivan. Chairman Brian Sullivan and Mr. Ramon Diaz were not in attendance.

At 6:00 pm Chairman Sullivan called the meeting to order.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Kevin Sullivan asked if anyone was taping the meeting and if so, please state your name and address: none

2. Public participation, excluding personnel: none

3. Workshop session:

Attorney Russell Dupere was in attendance and led the workshop session for the committee. He reviewed the roles and responsibilities during a Level 3 Grievance hearing and during deliberations.

Attorney Dupere stated that school committee workshops and school committee trainings do not have to be posted or open to the public. He informed the members of the committee that they cannot change the Superintendent's decision when it concerned personnel. In addition, a Grievance hearing should not last more than 30 minutes and the committee's role was to listen. After the committee listens to the Grievance, they meet (without the Grievants) and the Superintendent and Legal Council should be present during deliberations.

At 6:34pm Kevin Sullivan moved, Cindy Sullivan seconded to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion passes.

Mr. Stefan Czaporowski, Superintendent of Schools  
Clerk – Westfield School Committee

A true copy, Attest:

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Diane Mayhew, Secretary  
Westfield School Committee

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